

Web table D Critical appraisal tool for qualitative studies (adapted from Dixon-Woods tool)¹

		Critical appraisal criterion number
G1. Research questions	A= The research questions are clear and are suited to a qualitative approach B= The research questions are not clear and/or suited to a qualitative approach	10
G2. Sample size	Number	
G3. Method of sample selection	Method	
G4. Data collection method	Method	
G5. Data recorded	A= the data were recorded and transcribed B= the data were not recorded and transcribed	11
G6. Appropriateness of method	A= The sampling, data collection and analysis were appropriate to the method B= The sampling, data collection and analysis were not appropriate for the chosen method	12
G7. Conclusions	A= The conclusions were justified by the data B= The conclusions were not justified by the data	13

- 1 Dixon-Woods M, Shaw RL, Agarwal S, Smith JA. The problem of appraising qualitative research. *Qual Saf Health Care* 2004;13:223-5.